PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 5725.0401-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
Roland DE LA METTRIE et al.)	Prior Application: Group Art Unit: 1751
Application No.: Unassigned (Continuation Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of Application No. 09/319,165)))	Examiner: M. Einsmann
Filed:	August 22, 2003)	
	COMPOSITIONS FOR THE OXIDATION DYEING OF KERATIN FIBERS AND DYEING PROCESSES USING THIS COMPOSITION	,	

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This request for a continuation application of App. No. 09/319,165 is timely in that it is being filed within two months from the mailing date of the Board's final decision in Application No. 09/319,165 (Appeal No. 2003-0615), dated June 26, 2003.

Please amend the specification as set below forth prior to examination on the merits.

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